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Mr. C. Obi Reddi :—" May I know from the hon. the Law Member whether the temporary court is reported to be self-supporting ?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" There is no information."

Mr. C. Obi Reddi :—" May I know what volume of litigation is in the estimation of the Government to be deemed sufficient to make the temporary District Munsif's Court at Anantapur permanent ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" Notice, Sir."

Publication of Law Reports.

*1547 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state with reference to question No. 364 answered on 8th October 1928, what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken on the publication of Law Reports ?

A.—Steps have been taken by the Council of Law reporting to minimize delay in the publication of the authorized reports. The Government have nothing further to add to the answer already given.

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" May I know if there was a proposal to add one more to the number of law reporters recently, and if the proposal has been dropped, and if so, why ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" I have a very hazy recollection of the matter. I want notice."

11-30 a.m. Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" Do not the Local Government make recommendations to the Secretary of State in such matter ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" I am sorry, Sir, that without the consent of the Secretary of State, I cannot divulge anything about this matter."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" Excuse me, Sir. It is not a question of divulging. I want to know if the Local Government could not make any recommendations to the Secretary of State ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" They do not send recommendations."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" If they do, may I know who makes the recommendations ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" Notice."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" Sir, I want to know on whom does this duty fall."

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government of Madras did not take part in the recommendations that were made in the last appointment ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" Sorry, that I cannot answer."

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Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Is it not a fact that the names of Messrs. Justice Venkatasubba Rao and Justice Devadoss were recommended by this Government when they were appointed to the High Court Bench ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I cannot answer."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" That is better ? "

Appointment of a Muslim to the High Court Bench.

* 1548 Q.—Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state the reasons why the claims of the Muslim community have not been considered when there were vacancies recently in the High Court Bench ; and why no Muslim was appointed ?

A.—Permanent appointments to the High Court are made by His Majesty, and not by the Local Government.

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Pay and designation of the staff in the Madras Port Trust.

* 1549 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased—

(1) to lay on the table of the House a complete and up-to-date, statement of—

(i) the total number and designation of posts carrying a salary of Rs. 200 and above and the class or community of individuals who are holding those posts in the Madras Port Trust ;

(ii) the total number of posts carrying a salary of Rs. 100 and above and the class or community of the individuals holding such posts in the Port Trust ;

(iii) the total number of posts carrying a salary of below Rs. 100 and the class or community of the individuals holding these posts in Port Trust, Madras ;

(iv) the number of posts held—

(*a*) by Indians,

(*b*) by Europeans, and

(*c*) by Anglo-Indians in the Engineering department in the Madras Port Trust ; and

(2) to state the reasons for the disproportion, if any, among the various communities in appointments in the Port Trust ?

A.—As the hon. Member is aware, the Local Government are merely the agents of the Government of India in regard to this matter—

I. The statements [a] required are placed on the table.

II. The sanction of Government is required only for appointments to the following posts :—

(1) Chairman and Traffic Manager.

(2) Deputy Port Conservator.

(3) Chief Engineer.

(4) Chief Accountant.

All other appointments are made by the Madras Port Trust Board or its Chairman.

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[a] Printed as Appendix IV on pages 270-271 infra.